

## How To Make Your Baby Sleep Fast

The length of time the baby's needs for sleep every day varies in every stage of their life.

The younger the baby, the longer the sleep they need. It's during sleep where most of the developments happen.

It is also during sleep where many hormones are released that aid in the baby's growth. So it is really important that your baby gets enough to sleep every day to achieve his full function.

You might be worried that your baby is not getting the right amount of sleep every day. You might have noticed a lot of very unusual things in him.

He might be babbling some words that you cannot understand, he might be biting his thumb or amazingly stretching his leg licking his toes. It's just normal in babies.

There's nothing to be fearful of if you have observed these. In fact, babies' joy in the first 18 months of their life is in their mouths.

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They put anything in it. Once they have something in their mouth, it's a joyful satisfaction for them.

That is why it is just okay that you leave your baby biting or licking anything in this early stage.

However, be sure that the things that they are licking are clean to avoid ingesting harmful bacteria.

Thus, approximately after 18 months, this attitude must be overcome.

They should be, or naturally, be shifting into a different concentration to satisfy them.

<u>For more information about this idea</u>, try to read some literature about the Developmental Theory by Sigmund Freud.

Now, how long should your baby be sleeping every day then? Here is the table that shows the length of sleep your baby is required:

## How Much Sleep Do Babies and Kids Need

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	Age Range	Recommended Hours of Sleep		
Newborn	0-3 months old	14-17 hours		
Infant	4-11 months old	12-15 hours		
Toddler	1-2 years old	11-14 hours		
Preschool	3-5 years old	10-13 hours		
School-age	6-13 years old	9-11 hours		

The problem is, every time you bring your baby to bed, they don't immediately sleep. That is still normal.

They can have a lot of rituals prior to that until they get drowsy and finally snooze.

What's worse sometimes is, you might have already developed some kind of arthritis on your arms for carrying your baby in a very long period of time.

That's part of parenting. But of course, if there are just ways to lessen this sacrifice, it would be very, very great.

"Wallah! I have a great idea! I will sing." You might have thought of this idea as well. That's too sweet. And effective perhaps, if you have a good voice;-).

But yeah, singing or humming is really helpful in bringing your baby to sleep fast. In order not to strain your vocal cords, you can play background music in your nursery room.

Another tip in bringing your baby to sleep fast is to provide him comfortable linens in his crib. Finally, keep him warm and dry to achieve the final stage of sleeping by providing him a baby blanket.

Remember, sleeping is one of the most important needs of your baby in his early stage of life. Having enough sleep, your baby will achieve his optimum level of functionality. His future depends on how you take care of him.

# Got a newborn in the house?



No matter how adorable they may be, when babies start crying just when you're falling asleep or right in the middle of the night or maybe in the wee hours of the morning,

you just can't help the frustration and anger at the situation from arising, even just in your head.

How can you work the next day?

How can you achieve full success or unveil your full potential if you're all sleepy and sluggish at work?

How can you make lots of money for your baby's future if the adorable little one won't let you sleep at night?

And most of all, how can you enjoy playtime with your new baby if you lack rest and can fall asleep at any time?

Don't let sleepless nights sap the joy out of being a new parent.

There are easy ways to make babies fall asleep quickly and to make them sleep soundly all throughout the night to prevent midnight disturbances.

1. Schedule bedtime and stick to it. From the start of your new adventure, make sure to set a particular bedtime schedule.

This way, your baby's body clock will be used to that schedule. If this happens, you don't even have to do anything to make your baby fall asleep.

He or she will fall asleep at exactly the right time. This will help prevent sleep disturbances, especially in the long run.

2. Feed your baby well during the day. A lot of babies wake up in the middle of the night to ask for food.

They just wake up because their bodies need food. This happens more frequently if you don't feed your baby well during the day.

The body recognizes the need for food and alerts your baby regardless of what time it is. So by keeping him or her well-fed, you can keep your baby sleeping all throughout the night.

3. Learn transitioning techniques. There are a lot of what are called "transitioning techniques," which refer to positions or actions that can help your baby transition smoothly from wakefulness to sleep.

Transitioning techniques include rocking, nestling, nursing down, swinging, and so on.

4. <u>Buy the right sleep products</u>. Make sure your baby is perfectly comfortable in his/her crib, crib mattress, blanket, pillow, and sleep clothes. Best to go for cotton sleepwear; organic is also the way to go especially if your baby shows signs of being prone to allergy.

Choose a mattress that is neither too soft nor too firm. Keep your baby comfy so there will be fewer reasons to be disturbed at night.

5. Play subliminal CDs for babies. Buy yourself some subliminal CDs or tapes for babies. These often contain songs or sounds that are really recorded to help babies fall asleep faster.

These usually use repetitive and monotonous sounds that lull a baby's mind to a sleep state. This is actually what lullabies are for, although some subliminal audio CDs are said to work better.

There are now a lot of subliminal CDs targeted to babies so you and your baby can sleep soundly by just playing some music in the room

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